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Group Art Unit 3743

Attorney Docket No. 3029-72US (12258)

In re  
Patent Application of:

Surjan et al.

Serial No.: 09/889,843

Filed: July 22, 2002

Examiner: Dahbour, Fadi H

**"SELF REGULATING FLEXIBLE HEATER"**

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time in which to file a response to the outstanding Final Office Action. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required as set forth below.

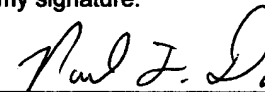
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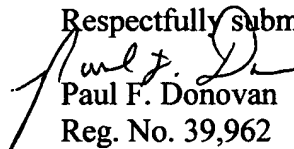
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed November 18, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed February 4, 2004. It is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be amended as set forth below.

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